



PUBLIC NOTICE OF CLOSURE REPORT
Southern California Edison, San Bernardino Generating Station
Redlands, California

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: June 8, 2006 to July 7, 2006

We invite you to review and comment on a report describing the closure of a hazardous waste storage retention basin for the former Southern California Edison (Edison), San Bernardino Generating Station. The generating station was built in 1952 and is located at 2492 (formerly 25770) San Bernardino Avenue in the city of Redlands (formerly in the city of San Bernardino). Edison sold the generating station in 1998 and repurchased it in 2004. It retains responsibility under the contract of sale for environmental liability associated with the facility's past operation of the retention basin.

The retention basin was used to store some wastewater that may have contained small amounts of oil, grease, and suspended solids. The wastewater was steadily discharged to the Santa Ana River under the provisions of a National Pollutants Discharge Elimination System permit issued by the United States Environmental Protection Agency. The retention basin may also have been used to temporarily store acidic cleaning solution from the removal of corrosion and mineral deposits from the boiler tubes.

The report, called the Closure Demonstration Report, describes the investigation of potential hazardous waste contamination at the retention basin and the removal of the basin including some clay that was apparently imported for use in constructing the basin liner. The imported clay contained metal concentrations higher than background. The report also described the groundwater investigation which concluded the groundwater quality was not impacted by the past operation of the retention basin. The report proposes no further action for the site.

The Closure Demonstration Report was prepared in response to a settlement between Edison and our Department that affected nine generating stations, including the San Bernardino Generating Station. The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) regulates the creation, storage, treatment, and removal of hazardous waste in California.

We encourage you to review and comment on the Closure Demonstration Report, the California Environmental Quality Act Notice of Exemption and other related documents of the site during the 30-day comment period of June 8 2006 through July 7, 2006. Please send written comments, emailed or postmarked by July 7, 2006, to Chia-Rin Yen, DTSC Project Manager, 1011 North Grandview Avenue, Glendale, CA 91201 or by email to: cyan@dtsc.ca.gov.

Copies of the Closure Demonstration Report, Notice of Exemption, and other documents related to the site are available for your review at the A. K. Smiley Public Library, 125 W. Vine Street, Redlands, CA 92373, Tel. (909) 798-7565. They are also at our agency's office at the Glendale address shown above. Please contact Ms. Jone Barrio at (818) 551-2886 to make an appointment to see them.

If you have questions about the project, please contact either of these two people at our agency:

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